

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A distributor unit includes a reservoir (7) containing a liquid substance, an anilox cylinder (8) and a cliché cylinder (9) onto which is movably fitted a cliché jacket (18), the reservoir (7), the anilox cylinder (8) and the cliché cylinder (9) being movable from and to a cylinder (2) on which travels a web-shaped material (3) which has to receive the substance. The distributor unit has an operator side and a transmission side, the anilox cylinder (8) and the cliché cylinder (9) being held by corresponding supports on operator side (14, 15) and on transmission side (16, 17). A device (19) for locking the cliché cylinder in cantilever position when the corresponding cliché jacket (18) has to be substituted is associated to the support on transmission side (17) of the cliché cylinder (9). The support on operator side (15); of the cliché cylinder (9) includes a first and a second element (150, 151) automatically movable from and to the cliché cylinder (9). The elements in configuration of use hold the cylinder (9) on the operator side and, in a configuration of substitution of the cliché jacket (18), are reciprocally spaced disengaging the operator side of the cliché cylinder (9).